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In the Application of:) "EXPRESS MAIL"
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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 --The location where the nucleic acid sequence for enhancing expression of a useful gene is incorporated into a gene expression vector should be the one that permit direct or